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It would be our intention at such meetings to offer a full account of the existing international situation as it is assessed by the U.S. intelligence community, and to respond to any questions which you may ask about present American national security policy and the reasons for it.

Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
William W. Scranton,
Governor of Pennsylvania,
Harrisburg.

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April 22, 1964

Dear Governor Wallace:

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Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Rusk

The Honorable
George C. Wallace,
Governor of Alabama, Montgomery.

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Dear Mr. Nixon:

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Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable

Richard M. Nixon,

Nixon, Mudge, Rose,

Guthrie & Alexander,

20 Broad Street,

New York, New York.

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Dear Mr. Stassen:

As instructed by the President on April 20, I write to inform you that Secretary McNamara, Director McCone and I join in offering you all possible information that may assist you in the responsible discussion of issues affecting the national security. I hope that you will wish to accept this offer. My colleagues and I look forward to an opportunity to meet with you at your convenience, and to repeat such meetings at intervals while you are a candidate for the Presidency. In the event that one or another of us should be unavailable on any days that you designate, we will be represented by one of our most senior colleagues.

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Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
Harold E. Stassen,
Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Building,
Philadelphia 9, Pennsylvania.

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Dear Senator Smith:

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Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
Margaret Chase Smith,
United States Senate.

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Dear Senator Goldwater:

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Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
Barry Goldwater,
United States Senate.

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Dear Governor Rockefeller:

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Sincerely yours,

Dean Rusk

The Honorable
Nelson A. Rockefeller,
Governor of New York, Albany.

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